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In Brief

Junior/Senior Prom for EPS, PJCC is Saturday

Grand March begins at 6 p.m.
It's that time again, where tuxedos and formal dresses adorn high school juniors and seniors.
Once again, Elgin Public and Pope John XXIII Central Catholic will hold a joint prom. The theme for this year's prom is 'Masquerade.'
The event will be held this Saturday, March 22.
The public is invited to attend the 'Grand March' which will begin promptly at 6 p.m. For those unable to attend, *The Elgin Review* will Facebook Live the march.
Dinner will be served to prom attendees and their dates at 6:45 p.m.
A dance will follow, starting at 8 p.m. and concluding at 11 p.m.
Afterwards, post prom activities will be held at the EPS gym, beginning at 11 p.m.

EPS to host NVC Band Clinic on March 24

Free concert to start at 5:30 p.m.
Elgin Public will be hosting the annual Niobrara Valley Conference Band Clinic this Monday, March 24.
The event will include band members from Elgin Public, Pope John, Niobrara, Boyd County, Stuart, Chambers, Verdigre, Rock County and Wheeler Central.
There will be a concert at 5:30 p.m. in the EPS gym. It will consist of individual band performances and a mass group performance.
The concert is free and open to the public. "We hope to see everyone there," Heithoff said.

Public Notices

Public notices in this week's newspaper include:
Notice of Organization — Schrader Enterprises, L.L.C.
Notice to Bidders (4) — Antelope County
Proceedings — The District #18 Board of Education
Proceedings — The Antelope County Board of Commissioners
Notice to Bidders — Antelope County Invitation to Bid — Antelope County
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Weather

The high temperature last week was 77 degrees recorded on March 13.
The low temperature during the same period was 17 degrees recorded on March 15.
Altogether, 0.07 of an inch of precipitation was recorded last week.
Following are the high and low temperatures, and precipitation amounts, as recorded by Elgin weather observer Leonard Orlowski.

Date	High	Low	Prec
Mar. 09	65	33	.00
Mar. 10	75	26	.00
Mar. 11	49	28	.00
Mar. 12	70	36	.00
Mar. 13	77	41	.00
Mar. 14	73	24	.07
Mar. 15	40	17	.00
Total for last week			0.07
Total for March			0.73
Total precipitation 2025			1.13



St. Patrick's Day gone 'wild'

Bill Mescher was just one of many who attended Monday night's 'Wild Game Feed' held at the Elgin KC Hall. Those who are Irish and those who wish to be Irish brought food and shared stories as part of Elgin's Wild Game Feed St. Patrick's Day celebration.

E-R photo/DMorgan

Elgin FFA teams earn three CDE championships

February 27th and March 11th, NECC and Sargent hosted the District X FFA Career Development Events (CDE's). According to FFA Advisor Julia Schwartz, due to growing numbers in FFA statewide, the district CDE's have been split into two days for the past several years. Although NECC hosts several of the same contests that Sargent does, District X does not use some of those NECC contests as their state-qualifying CDE's and instead holds those contests in Sargent.
Making up District X FFA are several schools in the area: Ainsworth, Boyd County, Burwell, Chambers, Elgin,

Elkhorn Valley, Keya Paha County, Loup County, Neligh-Oakdale, O'Neill, Ord, Rock County, Sargent, Stuart, West Holt, Wheeler Central and the newly formed Nebraska Ag Academy (home school).
"Elgin FFA is proud of all their members," Schwartz said, "as many members qualified for the state FFA contests in April."
District champions were the floriculture team, livestock management team and the agriscience team.
Finishing second was the agronomy team while the natural resource team took fourth.



Photos submitted

The District X Champion floriculture team included Sara Bode, Kate Furstenau, Kylee Lichtenberg and Callie Heithoff. See more photos on Page 12.



Placing first was the Agriscience team of Max Henn, Bryistol Buschow, Molly Thiessen, Kaidynce Schrad and Joseph McNally.

Ainsworth admitted to Niobrara Valley Conference

Make room for one more banner!
The District #18 Board of Education last week learned from Superintendent Mike Brockhaus that the size of the Niobrara Valley Conference (NVC) will be growing by one school.
During the superintendent's report to the school board, Brockhaus said Ainsworth Public School (APS) will be joining the NVC beginning in the 2025/2026 school year.
For a number of years, APS has sought admission to the conference. However, the votes weren't there from conference members to approve the application.
That seems to have changed when four schools (Atkinson West Holt, Summerland, Neligh-Oakdale and Elkhorn Valley) withdrew from the NVC to form a new conference for the 2024/2025 school year.
Ainsworth will be the farthest west school in the conference. Other NVC conference members, in addition to Elgin Public-Pope John, who compete in sports are O'Neill St. Mary's, Boyd County, Niobrara-Verdigre, Santee, Chambers/Wheeler Central, Stuart and North Central.
While the Ainsworth matter required no official board action, there were a number of items the board did

act on during the meeting which lasted just under 90 minutes.
They were:
Security — The board approved the purchase of nine doors and four gate access points from Applied Connective at a cost of \$45,240.97.
Technology — Purchases in the form of technology for the 2025/2026 school year were approved as presented minus one yearbook lab computer. Total cost came to just over \$50,000.
On the move — It was decided to move the IT Rack in the coach's office. Applied Connective will handle the matter at a cost of \$2,302.99.
Policy readings — Approved on first reading were recommendations from the Nebraska Association of School Boards (NASB) on a number of policies. Updates are being proposed to the school's Title IX Non-Discrimination Policy 504.24; Title IX Reporting Form 504.24E1; and Title IX Nondiscrimination Proced 504.24R1.
The item will be on the agenda for second round approval at the April meeting which will be held on Wednesday, April 9.
In a separate motion, the board approved on second reading updated Policy 504.2R1 which involves EPS testing and honor awards.



Elgin Rescue Squad's new ambulance delivered

Shortly after 3 pm Wednesday, two years of fundraising came to a successful conclusion with the delivery of a new ambulance to be utilized by the Elgin Rescue Squad to do one thing - save lives. It will become the primary ambulance. What once was the primary ambulance will become the backup ambulance. (Above) The new ambulance as it looked upon arriving in Elgin. (Right) A view of the interior of the ambulance.



E-R photos/DMorgan

Farewell for 'Sister Pat' nears This Sunday from 1-3 p.m. at the church

This Sunday will be a day to say goodbye.
A farewell reception will be held on that day as former Pope John XXIII Central Catholic teacher Sister Pat Hoffman will leave our community next month.
The reception will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the St. Boniface Church basement and all are invited to attend.
Having retired from the school several years ago, Sister Pat will be moving to St. Joseph Convent in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
She has been a part of the Elgin community, St. Boniface Parish and the school for almost 53 years.
With Sister Pat's departure, the School Sisters of St. Francis will now leave our community.
According to former PJCC Principal Betty Getzfred, "We have been blessed to have the Sisters of St. Francis as part of our community since January 1909 with the opening of St. Boniface School."
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Public performance held on Sunday, March 16

Speech Coaches are Amy Klein and Chris Grundmayer



Duet - Christian Priester and Matthew Kerkman



Duet - Olivia Klein and Juliana McNally



Serious Prose - Reese Stuhr



Duet - Brooke Kinney and Aiden Klein



OID member Camry Kittelson

PLEASE NOTE: Not all speech team members performed. Several perform multiple pieces in competition.



Poetry - Harlie Tyler



POI - Jovie Borer



Serious Prose - Tessa Barlow

E-R photos by Dennis and Lynell Morgan

Elgin Public School SPEECH NIGHT

Public performance held on Tuesday, March 11

Speech Coaches are Stacy Shumake-Henn and Jessie Reestman



Informative - Callie Heithoff



Humorous Prose - Kyla Donaldson

PLEASE NOTE: Not all speech team members performed. Several perform multiple pieces in competition.



Serious Prose - Zoey Buetcher



Informative - Kyndal Busted

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Serious Prose - Ruby Durre



OID members Braelyn Martinsen and Kayton Zwingman



Entertainment - Chloe Henn

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Other ladies interested in joining the club are also invited.

Please R.S.V.P. to Michele Reicks

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Nothing prepares you for navigating puberty

That's not going to happen. Never. Nada. Not in our lifetimes. It'll be a cold day in hell. You get the idea. These musings are about the two-letter word no, N-O, no. What part of no don't you understand? No means no. No is the ultimate negative. No ifs, ands, or buts about it. People pleasers struggle to say no when asked an unreasonable favor, given a job assignment not in their wheelhouse, or invited to an event that doesn't interest them. Constant glass-half-empty people, which is not healthy, always see the no side of the world. If one stays openminded, there is always learning in that fuzzy zone between obligation and opportunity. Sometimes, there simply are no words. Actually, there is a recommended three-part formula to confidently say no gently - acknowledge the request, decline with a phrase, and, if appropriate, give a reason. Here's an

example used recently due to illness - "Your invitation to dinner is deeply appreciated. With sincere regret, I must decline since I'm still struggling with this health issue and don't want to infect other guests." See how that feels better than hell no, no can do, or no way. In the volunteer or work world when asked to take on an assignment, you could try - "I'm flattered you asked. While I'd love to support this cause right now, other responsibilities have me maxed out." Certainly with some jobs, when the boss says jump, being a no-show is not an option. In thinking back on our camping days with our two sons, leave no trace was the mantra, no questions asked. This included picking up micro-trash such as twist ties and used matches. Whether hiking the trails, spending an evening around the campfire, or shopping in the big city, leave no trace shows pride in your surroundings.

Sometimes disappointments while growing up were unbearable, such as getting a red ribbon at the county fair. My mom would always say not to cry over spilled milk. True, there's no retrieving real spilled milk, no going back. A tough concept for a child to grasp even when you're told it's no big deal. Make no bones about it, at a young age, it hurts. A common response to an apology is no worries, no problem. Sometimes what the person who is sorry needs is acceptance of the apology. Maybe to you, the action in question is no big thing. Not so on the other end. The song No Good Deed Goes Unpunished from the popular musical, now a movie, Wicked comes to mind. Sung by the wicked witch of the west, Elphaba, the song lyrics speak of her inner turmoil between trying to do good when her efforts are misinterpreted due to her bad reputation. If you haven't seen the movie, highly recommend it.

Maybe it's Saturday night and you're all dressed up with nowhere to go. If you're like my late mother-in-law, Lois Schuchardt, a class act, dressing up every day was a priority. Be seen without her hair done and make-up applied with perfection - no way! Know where the saying "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" became common? It appears in the 1980 horror film The Shining where Jack Torrance, played by Jack Nicholson, repeats it often. Unless you enjoy being scared to near death, I don't recommend this movie. Stayed at the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, CO, known for ghost sightings, a couple times. Then the movie ran non-stop on the TV in every guest room and the lobby there. Maybe you can name a saying or two using the word no. Here's a few that come to mind. Big hat, no cattle. A closed mouth gathers no flies. No rest for the weary. Won't take no for an answer. Close but no cigar. All sizzle and no steak. Watch this space for a column on the word yes sometime soon. By no stretch of the imagination is writing about negative stuff my favorite. Comments welcome at jane.schuchardt@gmail.com.

Looking Back

Sixty Years Ago

March 18, 1965

Loton Fink, Elgin, purchased two of the top purebred registered Angus bulls from the Harold Spahn herd, Ewing and the Henry Hamernik herd, Clarkson at the Northeast Nebraska Angus Ass'n. sale held at the Creighton livestock market, Creighton, Friday, March 12. Tommie Stoltz went back to school Monday after missing nearly six weeks due to Rheumatic Fever. Firemen were called to the Dallmont Erickson farm about 5:30 Friday afternoon to help extinguish a fire that had gotten out of control when Jim Anderson was burning brush. Nine acres of meadow was burned. Lloyd Smith of Neligh started working Monday as assistant manager at the Elgin Lumber and Grain Co. He had been a traveling salesman with a building products firm for 16 years after being in the construction business. Two local salesmen for Contois Motor Co. will be honored for their outstanding sales achievements during 1964 at a banquet in Omaha Saturday, March 27. They are Jack R. Blair and G. O. Miller.

Fifty Years Ago

March 13, 1975

Coach Glen Fiihr's Elgin High School Eagles earned a berth in the Nebraska Class D playoffs at Lincoln this weekend by edging Butte, 61-60, at Creighton Wednesday night of last week. This will be the school's first Lincoln berth since 1968. Weekend visitors at the Johanna Wagner home to help her celebrate her 90th birthday anniversary were Alvina Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Taucreti, Mrs. Tom McShane, Lori and Lisa and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schlegel and sons all of Omaha, also Jerry Taucreti and Kristi Williamson of Lincoln, Mrs. Gary Clemens, Robert and David and Mrs. Dave Reinke and Steven of Neligh, Connie, Michelle and Marc Ahlers of Clearwater and Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Wagner and Scott. Sandy Pelster is the recipient of a one-year tuition-paid Regents Scholarship to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Sandy, a senior at Pope John High School, is the daughter of Mrs. Alfreda Pelster of Bartlett, Nebraska. At a March 3 meeting of the Committee for Continuation of Pope John, officers elected for the coming year are Leonard Beckman, chairman; Mrs. LeRoy Kerkman, secretary and Mrs. Gene Boes, treasurer. Brian Anderson was initiated into Kappa Chapter of the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity recently. He is a freshman at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Thirty Years Ago

March 15, 1995

The EHS boys basketball team won its second Class D2 state championship in three years last week, with victories over Arcadia, Chester-Hubbell-Bryon and Table Rock Steinauer. Two Elgin High School students, Amy Beckman and Sara Ochsen, See BACK, Page 5 ▶

Bartlett News

The Bartlett Lions Club met Thursday evening, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the old fire hall in Bartlett with seven members present. Cara Snider, Lions treasurer, reported the expenses of the Ground Hog Supper. Members discussed what amount of money would be given to Wheeler County FFA for table service during the evening and FCS for cutting carrots and celery. The Easter Egg Hunt (held in Bartlett and sponsored by the Bartlett Lions Club) will be held April 19 with registration beginning at 1:30 p.m. Lions members will hide the eggs at noon. It was decided by members to send Lions Club International \$250 to be put in an account for our club to be used for a Melvin Jones Award. The next meeting will be April 10th at 7:00 p.m. Cards and letters may be sent to Doug Reiter, a Bartlett resident at Antelope County Hospital, P.O. Box 229, Neligh, Nebraska. I know a letter or card would make his day. Wheeler Central's Spring Program is Friday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. I just hope we are ready for the performance by then. Submitted by Sherry Tetschner

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Community Calendar

* See ad/story in this week's Elgin Review

Thursday, March 20
D2 District Speech Meet hosted by Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School.

Friday, March 21
St. John's (Rural Clearwater) annual fish fry.

Saturday, March 22
EHS-PJCC Junior-Senior Prom @ Elgin KC Hall.*

Sunday, March 23
Farewell Reception for Sister Pat Hoffman at St. Boniface Catholic Church basement from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.*

Monday, March 24
Niobrara Valley Conference Band Clinic hosted by Elgin Public School with 5:30 p.m. free concert.*

Saturday, March 29
St. Boniface Catholic Church Spring Auction @ Elgin KC Hall.*

Saturday, April 12
Easter Egg Hunt at Elgin City Park at 11 a.m. sponsored by Elgin Community Club/Chamber of Commerce.

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Sister Pat Hoffman's Farewell Reception

This Sunday, March 23, 2025
St. Boniface Church Basement | 1:00-3:00 pm

Sister Pat will move to St. Joseph Convent in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on April 2nd.

If you are unable to attend, cards may be sent to:
Sister Pat Hoffman
PO Box 219
Elgin, NE 68636-0219

Opinion

READ, REFLECT, RESPOND.

"To be persuasive, we must be believable; to be believable, we must be credible; credible, we must be truthful."

Edward R. Murrow

Editorial Saying goodbye will be hard to do Sunday

For more than half a century, there's been a teacher here in Elgin educating generations of children. It's no secret whom I'm referring to - it's Sister Patricia Hoffman.

Three years ago she retired as a teacher at Pope John XXIII Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School. Back then, on the pages of this newspaper in an article by Jane Schuchardt, we shared her story. Together, we celebrated her accomplishments and recognized the gifts of being a teacher, helping students to learn, giving them the mathematical skills to be used over the course of a lifetime.

As one Elgin businessman has said repeatedly, the lessons he learned in her classroom has served him a lifetime. Such is the impact of a true educator. To be able to educate others and know they will benefit from what they have learned throughout their lifetime must be 'rewarding' with a capital 'R'. Since then, she's continued to be a part of our community. You see her at church on Sundays and, on other days of the week, at the community center or school events.

That's all about to change. Sister Pat will be leaving Elgin in the coming weeks, headed to the St. Joseph Convent at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

With her leaving marks the end of the School Sisters of St. Francis being part of the fabric which has made up our community for well over 100 years. Think about how the world has changed while the convent has provided nuns to our community? Yes, much has changed, more than one can comprehend. We encourage all who have been touched by her life to come and say goodbye.

Sister Pat, yours has been a life well-lived. We wish you well in the years ahead. Don't forget us because we will never forget you.

Dennis Morgan, Publisher

State's online 'wall of shame' reveals delinquent taxpapers

It's tax season, and who doesn't dislike filing their taxes?

It takes time away from things like checking on the latest Husker football recruit or seeing what new fight we're having with Canada. And it's a messy, mathematic-heavy task, requiring a lot of wading through regulations.

But there's one thing I detest more, and that's when people don't pay their taxes, unlike you and me.

If I gotta pay, I reason, so should everyone else.

On the federal level, it's estimated that nearly \$600 billion a year in taxes go unpaid or are paid late. That's according to the Peter G. Peterson Foundation, a group founded by a Nebraska native (born in Kearney) who worked for President Nixon and co-founded the highly successful investment management firm, The Blackstone Group.

Peterson was concerned about the economic and fiscal future of America and figured, rightly so, that if everyone paid their taxes, the country would be better off. If everyone paid, maybe we'd all have to pay a little less, too.

Nebraska got concerned about delinquent taxes back during the Great Recession that started in 2007. Tax revenue was short, so they were shaking the pillows for spare change.

State lawmakers passed a law creating a "wall of shame." The wall, which posted on the Nebraska Department of Revenue's website, lists the state's top 25 tax scofflaws, those who owe the most taxes.

The idea was to shame people into paying up by listing their dirty, non-taxpaying laundry for all to see. At least 19 states post shame walls, including neighboring Kansas, Colorado and South Dakota.

Back in 2010, I wrote a story for the Omaha World-Herald about the state's worst tax cheats. But apparently the state's No. 1 tax cheat doesn't read newspapers because, guess what, he's still at the top of the list 15 years later.

Randall J. Thompson, a one-time Omaha businessman, topped the list in 2010, owing \$2.36 million to the state in unpaid income taxes. The latest Top 25, updated on March 10, still has Randy at No. 1, owning a similar amount of taxes.

ALL THINGS NEBRASKA



State Correspondent Paul Hammel



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According to court records, he's a hard guy to find and, apparently, doesn't have the money to pay his taxes or his other debts.

Those records read like a sad country song — Thompson once sold a day-trading firm for \$13 million back in 2001, according to the New York Times. But later, a federal tax judge ruled that he'd set up a sham tax shelter to avoid paying taxes on the sale.

By 2010, Thompson, who filed for bankruptcy, was the subject of about a dozen lawsuits from business associates and banks seeking payment of debts and loans.

In one lawsuit, he was ordered to pay \$12.4 million to Wells Fargo Bank. The judgment went unpaid and, according to court records, was renewed in 2020.

The shame wall as well as the most recent court records lists Thompson's address as 3855 S.179th Terrace. But my story 15 years ago indicated that

he'd been evicted from a luxury, rental home in that area. Other court documents list Thompson at various other Omaha addresses.

Back in 2010, the then-State Tax Commissioner, Doug Ewald, said that the state tries to collect unpaid taxes by garnishing wages and tapping into bank accounts. But if someone has neither, it's hard to collect, he said.

Do these Walls of Shame work? Back in 2010, Ewald said that a couple of tax scofflaws paid up so that their name would not be listed on the initial wall of shame.

Meanwhile, the total amount of delinquent taxes keeps rising, from \$14 million in 2010 to \$59.7 million in fiscal year 2023-24.

A Revenue Department spokesman, however, points out that total tax collections are also rising, leaving only 0.61 percent of all taxes delinquent in '23-24. Thus more than 99 percent of folks do pay.

I guess that accounts for just about everyone, except Randall Thompson, wherever he is. While, may the force be with you.

Paul Hammel has covered the Nebraska state government and the state for decades. He retired in April as senior contributor with the Nebraska Examiner. He was previously with the Omaha World-Herald, Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha Sun.

A native of Ralston, Nebraska, he loves traveling and writing about the state.

Fiscal accountability demands responsibility

The federal government of the United States has an obligation to maintain the highest standard of accountability to the American people. Families working hard to make ends meet, paying taxes to the federal government, rightfully expect a government which treats their hard-earned money with respect.

Faced with the consequences of four years of runaway spending, mounting debt, and failed economic leadership from the Biden administration, getting our fiscal house in order is a monumental task. It begins with shedding light on waste, fraud, and abuse in our overgrown bureaucracy and includes getting back to regular order in Congress' annual process to allocate federal spending.

Our appropriations process is broken. To properly address spending for

FROM THE HILL



Congressman Adrian Smith

See SMITH, Page 5 ►

Remembering the North Platte Canteen

This August, I visited the city of North Platte for a tour with North Platte's chamber office. North Platte is known for many things, and chief among them are its status as a railroad town and the home of Buffalo Bill.

WASHINGTON REPORT



U.S. Senator Deb Fischer

we drove through the city, I saw its industrial area and new housing subdivisions. As the tour continued, we came across the Downtown Canteen District, a title that holds special meaning for people across our state.

During World War II, this small, West Central Nebraska town was famous for the North Platte Canteen. In 1941, a few local area women began bringing deserts to the soldiers stopping at North

Platte's train station. Soon, the good deeds of these women grew into a larger affair: a waiting room at the train station filled with sandwiches, coffee, and cakes donated by people across the surrounding area.

From Christmas Day 1941 to April 1946, these Nebraskans met every train that came into the North Platte station with food and friendship. Each day, up to 32 trains rolled into North Platte, carrying thousands of uniformed personnel. As World War II raged on, donations and support from the communities surrounding North Platte poured in.

The North Platte Canteen received around 40,000 cookies, 30,000 hard-boiled eggs, 6,900 birthday cakes, and 2,800 pounds of sandwich meat during just one month.

Over the years of World War II, more than six million soldiers came through the North Platte train station. Each one was met with caring and friendship at the Canteen. The people of North Platte gave encouragement to

our country's bravest. They provided some light to those headed to the front lines during one of our world's darkest times. They gave our soldiers a small, but significant, taste of home and of hope.

It was an incredible volunteer effort, one that deserves recognition. Volunteers raised more than \$137,000, worth more than \$2 million today, to support the North Platte Canteen. And more than 55,000 people, nearly all of them women, chipped into running it. One of those women was my own mother, Florence Strobel. My mom moved to North Platte and taught kindergarten for several months during the fall of 1944, and she proudly served among the North Platte Canteen volunteers. She'd often tell wonderful stories of her time volunteering and the people she'd met at the train station.

In honor of the thousands of Nebraskans who served our troops at the North Platte Canteen, I reintroduced my North Platte Canteen Congressional Gold Medal Act last month along

with Senator Ricketts. Congressman Smith led introduction of the legislation in the House along with Congressmen Flood and Bacon. This bill would award a collective Congressional Gold Medal to all of the individuals and communities who volunteered at or donated to the North Platte Canteen. This is the highest honor Congress can give civilians, and no one deserves it more than those who gave our soldiers hope to hold onto during the war.

As Nebraskans, we still remember those who served as part of the North Platte Canteen. North Platte's Downtown Canteen District shows us that much—the city of North Platte has honored the Canteen by immortalizing it in the downtown area. The kindness and good deeds Nebraskans showed during World War II are a picture of the values we still hold dear in our state. I look forward to passing my North Platte Canteen Congressional Gold Medal Act to recognize and remember those who came before us in a new way.

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the upcoming fiscal year, Congress must get back to considering and passing the 12 annual appropriations bills individually, on time. This has only happened four times since 1977, but it is the best way to conduct the productive debate necessary to restore fiscal responsibility. To get back on track toward regular order, while ensuring continuity for veterans' health-care and benefits, Social Security, Medicare, and other critical government services, this week the House passed legislation to fund the federal government through the current fiscal year. The House bill also includes the largest pay raise for American junior enlisted servicemembers since the 1980s. Rather than shutting down the government, Republicans want to improve it. By applying smart policy, we can better steward government resources and improve outcomes for the American people rather than simply throwing money at inefficiencies. I have consistently fought to hold the IRS and other government agencies accountable to fulfill their mission to serve taxpay-

ers. This is why I continue to champion efforts to reclaim the \$80 billion Democrats poured into the IRS to hire 87,000 new agents through the 2022 Inflation Act.

This week, the House also passed bipartisan legislation called the Pandemic Unemployment Fraud Enforcement Act, which I cosponsored. A 2023 report from the Government Accountability Office estimated as much as \$100-\$135 billion in unemployment benefits were lost to fraud during COVID—only about \$5 billion of which has been recovered. The statute of limitations on prosecuting fraudsters who stole these taxpayer funds is set to expire near the end of this month. To hold such criminals accountable, this bill extends the statute of limitations for an additional five years.

I am grateful President Trump has rightfully identified the incredible potential to answer the American people's demands to restore fiscal responsibility. The Department of Government Efficiency, known as DOGE, is taking significant strides toward reining in misuse of taxpayer funds. I also appreciate this administration's commitment to maximize accountability, including the transparency provided by sharing DOGE's estimated \$115 billion in taxpayer savings through an online dashboard.

As I seek to support this effort on behalf of Nebraskans, I welcome your input. Third District constituents can submit recommendations on how DOGE can best identify opportunities for greater efficiency and save taxpayer dollars by visiting my website at AdrianSmith.house.gov/contact/Government-Efficiency.

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Patricia Ann Hruby, 84

June 14, 1940 - March 11, 2025

She was an extremely accomplished cook, gardener and fisherman who loved helping people.



Patricia Ann Hruby, age 84, passed away peacefully

on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at Faith Regional Medical Center in Norfolk, Nebraska.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, March 17, 2025, at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Elgin with Rev. Frank Baumert officiating. Inurnment will follow at a later date at St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery, Elgin. Visitation was held Sunday at the church with a 4 p.m. wake service.

If desired, friends may make memorial contributions and condolences to the family in lieu of flowers.

The family also wishes to extend sincere thanks to the caregivers at Faith Regional Medical Center, Boone County Health Center, and the Good Samaritan Rehabilitation Center.

Levander Funeral Home of Elgin is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.levanderfuneralhome.com.

Patricia was born in Clearwater, Nebraska on June 14, 1940, to the late Albert and Erma (Zegers) Sehi. She graduated from the Clearwater District School in 1957. Patricia was the second of five children. Patricia married the late Gerald Dozler in 1960.

They farmed until they moved to Elgin. Together, they had five children. Gerald died in 1975. Patricia married John Hruby on September 21, 1977. Together, they managed a gas station, café, and hobby farm in Oakdale, Nebraska. After the Elkhorn River flood, they relocated to Elgin.

Pat always loved meeting and helping people, especially when she had the café and sold produce from her garden. Her talents were many; she was an extremely accomplished cook, gardener and fisherman. She enjoyed camping, fishing and barbequing with family. She was passionate and dedicated to her family as a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and friend. She loved to host gatherings for friends and family where she enjoyed cooking and making sure everyone walked away full.

Patricia leaves behind to cherish her memory, her loving husband, John Hruby. She leaves her 5 children, Connie (Randy) Henn, Terry (Sirirat) Dozler, Sherri (Johnny) Iburg, Roger (Jennifer) Dozler, and Joseph (Carol) Dozler. She also leaves her stepchildren, Theresa, Clark, Dale, and Shawn Hruby. She also had many loving grandchildren and great grandchildren. Patricia also leaves behind siblings Kathy (Junior) Dubas and Joan Dickau.

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ner, have been chosen to participate in the Class D All-State Band Festival on Saturday, March 25, at the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Both girls play clarinet in the Elgin High School Band under the direction of Deb Jones.

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Thank God for a way out!

Thank the Lord for it this week in church.

...unless you repent, you will all perish.... Luke 13:1-9

Isaiah 55:1-9 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Psalm 63:1-8

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Wolfpack Sports

It ended way too soon!

Fourth quarter comeback comes up short against Blue Devils

LINCOLN — All season long, the Wolfpack have found a way to come back when trailing on the scoreboard.

True to form, they nearly did it again, this time in the opening round of the Class D2 Boys State Basketball Tournament.

Down 12 points midway through the fourth quarter, the Wolfpack made Wynot earn the victory 60 to 53 Thursday night at the Devaney Sports Center.

Jarek Erickson's three-point play at the start of the fourth quarter pulled EPPJ to within four points, 44 to 40. Wynot then scored the next eight points to lead 52 to 40 with 4:34 left in the game.

Then, the Wolfpack made one last run at the Blue Devils. Free throws by Max Henn and Erickson followed by a two-pointer from by Erickson had the Wolfpack trailing by just seven points, 53 to 46, with 2:40 left in the game.

Wynot then came back, making four of six free throws to lead by 11 points with 1:43 left in the game. After a made free throw from Henn, Erickson drained a trey to cut the lead to 57 to 50 with 1:25 left in the

game.

After Wynot missed four straight free throws, Erickson made another trey to cut the Blue Devils' lead to just four points, 57 to 53 with 40 seconds left. That's as close as the Wolfpack would get as they missed out on an opportunity to score after Wynot missed two more free throws.

Erickson fouled out with 25 seconds to go and Wynot capitalized when Justin Heimes was twice sent to the foul line and he made three of four free throws to seal the victory.

"We had open looks and opportunities," Coach Matt Euse said. "It just wasn't our night ... We didn't play our best game, but we still had every chance to win that game."

Wynot jumped out early to take the lead, then never relinquished it the rest of the game. Karson Kallhoff got EPPJ on the board after two minutes expired at the start of the game. The first of his two treys made the score five to three. Henn and Erickson followed with back-to-back two-pointers and EPPJ trailed by one, eight to seven. Wynot then began a nine-to-zero run, holding EPPJ scoreless for more than four minutes. Erickson and Kellan Hoefler found the mark. Kallhoff followed with six straight points (back-to-back-to-back free throws and a trey) to cut the lead to 21 to 17 with 3:41 to



Junior Karson Kallhoff, in addition to three steals, scored 11 points against the Blue Devils.



Freshman Max Henn (here looking to gain inside position, finished with seven rebounds.



Jarek Erickson (21) was able to score inside and outside against Wynot. He finished with 27 points and 13 rebounds, both team highs.



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Wynot's Killian Steinhaus got a first hand taste of what Wolfpack defensive pressure feels like as four EPPJ players (Michael Selting (2), Dylan Kolm (30), Kellan Hoefler (1) and (21) Jarek Erickson) eye a chance for a steal.

go before halftime.

The teams traded buckets before reserve Michael Selting came off the bench to score on a putback to make the score 23 to 21 with 1:02 left in the game. Wynot's Kotner Koch's added a bucket before halftime to give Wynot a 25 to 21 lead.

EPPJ dominated play for much of the third quarter. After Wynot built an eight-point lead early in the quarter, EPPJ answered right back. Erickson and Dylan Kolm each had three-point plays to narrow the score to 33 to 29. Then Erickson had back-to-back two-pointers to cut the lead to 33 to 31.

Following a bucket by Killian Steinhaus, EPPJ finally tied the score when, after another Erickson bucket, Kallhoff hit two free throws to make it 35-44 with 1:54 left in the quarter.

After Koch answered, Kolm again knotted the score, 37-all. Wynot then outscored EPPJ seven-to-zero over the final minute of the third quarter. The biggest blow was a made trey by Devin Brummer with just two seconds left in the quarter.

"When we got down by 10 in the first half, we could have easily given up," Euse said. "That's not our guys. I knew they were gonna fight for four quarters ... We had every opportunity to come back and take control of that game, but just little mishaps here and there and the ball not falling our way."

While Erickson had a big game, Wynot kept the rest of the Wolfpack in check. Aside from Erickson, Wolfpack starters and reserves made just eight of 38 from the field.

Wynot also held an edge in steals with 12 compared to just six for EPPJ.

Erickson had just six points and three rebounds in the first half, but had a big second half with 21 points and 10 rebounds.

Kallhoff was the only other Wolfpack player to score in double figures, finishing with 11 points.

Wynot 60, EPPJ 53
 Wolfpack.....7 14 16 16 — 53
 Blue Devils.....14 11 19 16 — 60
 Wolfpack — Jarek Erickson 11-16 3-4 27, Max Henn 1-5 2-4 4, Kellan Hoefler 1-11 0-0 2, Karson Kallhoff 2-12 5-5 11, Dylan Kolm 3-8 1-1 7, Taylor Beckman 0-0 0-0 0, Michael Selting 1-2-0-12. Team totals: 19-54 11-15 53. Three-point shots — Wolfpack 4-20 (Kallhoff 2, Erickson 2).

Wynot — Killian Steinhaus 4-8 2-4 11, Devin Brummer 3-8 0-1 7, Justin Heimes 3-9 7-10 13, Andrew Haberman 3-5 3-4 9, Kotner Koch 6-9 1-6 15, Cooper Oligmueller 1-1 0-0 3, Nixen Heimes 0-1 0-0 0, Carter Hans 1-2 0-0 2, Lane Heimes 0-1 0-0 0, Jed Nelson 0-0 0-0 0. Team totals: 21-44 13-25 60. Three-point shots — Blue Devils 5-16 (Steinhaus 1,

Brumme 1, Koch 2, Oligmueller 1). Team statistics: Rebounds — Wolfpack 34 (Erickson 13), Wynot 30 (Erickson 3, Hoefler 3), Wynot 10 (Steinhaus 3, Brummer 3). Steals — Wolfpack 14,

not 32 (Heimes 10). Assists — Wolfpack 9 (Erickson 3, Hoefler 3), Wynot 10 (Steinhaus 3, Brummer 3). Steals — Wolfpack 14,

6 (Kallhoff 3), Wynot 12 (Brummer 3, Heimes 3, Koch 3). Blocks — Wolfpack 3 (Erickson 2), Wynot 3. Turnovers — Wolfpack 14,

Spinning Tales

Thanks Wolfpack for a great ride this season!

LINCOLN — It ended all too soon.

Elgin Public-Pope John's time in the spotlight of the state's best basketball teams ended abruptly Thursday night at 'The Bob.'

Like you, I wanted to spend the weekend covering state tournament basketball, but Wynot's Blue Devils spoiled all those plans by defeating the Wolfpack in the first round. You have to win your opening round game to earn the right to play two more games in the Star City.

Since moving to Elgin with the purchase of the paper, we've had the joy to cover a handful of state tournament games. It's always a highlight to have your team competing for a state championship. Unfortunately, when it comes to boys basketball, we just haven't been able to get past the first round in the Wolfpack era.

So, these words are solely limited to the sights and sounds from the Wynot game. Being on press row or seated on the floor near the basket shooting photos, you see and hear lots of things.

The Wolfpack nation was at the game in full force - my best guess is we outnumbered Wynot fans by a margin of two-to-one. We had plenty to cheer about, the fans' biggest roar came in the second half when we tied the score at 35-all. But, as Wynot did repeatedly, they seemed to always score quickly after EPPJ made a big play to quiet our fans.

Our boys battled hard throughout the game, but we never had the lead. Now, in the age of 'common sense' no words ring more true than 'you can't win if you don't have the lead.'

Every time Wynot extended the lead, the Wolfpack answered back. We refused to lose, one might say, we just ran out of time.

Every now and then you hear about a team who trails the whole game, but somehow find a way to tie the score and force overtime. Then, in the overtime period, the team finds a way to win the game. The best example of that, from my standpoint, was the last Big 8 Tournament years ago. Danny Nee was coaching the Huskers, Billy Tubbs coached the Oklahoma Sooners. OU led til the final seconds when NU, led by Eric Piatkowski, tied the score.

Then, in overtime, the 'Polish Rifle' led the Huskers to victory. To some, that's ancient history, but it was the last time Nebraska basketball was relevant on the national stage.

Anyway, back to Wynot. Elgin cut the Blue Devils' lead to four points late in the game. Wynot's free throw shooters got the 'yips' and missed five in a row. They tried to give the game away, but EPPJ just couldn't take advantage.

Wolfpack junior Jarek Erickson had a monster game against Wynot. When you score 27 points and grab 13 rebounds, those are big-time numbers.

Wynot did not match up well against Erickson and he made them pay. Instead, Wynot focused on shutting down our perimeter game and they did just enough to win the game.

I thought Dylan Kolm had a big second half for EPPJ. Several times he came up with clutch baskets and more than held his own on the other end of the court. He, Kellan Hoefler and Taylor Beckman finished their careers in Lincoln, that's not a bad way to wrap up your basketball career.

Even though we lost, the best thing about getting to state was gaining experience at this level. I, for one, have every reason to believe EPPJ will be heading back to state next year. Jarek's game is only going to get better, it's pretty good right now. He can score inside, outside and knows how to dish off when double and triple-teamed. We watched Karson Kallhoff light up the scoreboard time and time again, his game can only get better as he enters his senior season. Experience and practice makes you better. Players like Max Henn and Michael Selting will be better and so will the rest of the returning roster. There's plenty of size and talent Coach Matt Euse can tap into next season.

As I finish writing this column, O'Neill St. Mary's is winning over Wynot in the championship game. If St. Mary's is the measuring stick for D2 basketball, then we're right there, right there.

Thanks for a great ride.

Now, I would be remiss if I didn't share a few personal thoughts. Kudos for News Channel Nebraska (NCN) for broadcasting state tournament

games leading up to the finals. The announcers reminded me of ABC television announcers back in the early years of Monday Night Football. Frank Gifford, Dandy Don Meredith and Howard Cosell wore those same gold blazers with the ABC logo on them. Those blazers looked funny then and they still do today. But you have to wear something, right?

Then there's the media room. Just off the playing floor, the room is where journalists go to file their stories, relax and get a bottle of water when thirsty (the water came from Sam's Club). We got there around 4:30 p.m. and went immediately to the media room. It was there we connected with Ervin Dohmen. He does a fine job as a reporter, videographer.

While we were in the room, there were two Valentino's chicken Alfredo pizza boxes. I think, from the aged state of the pizza, they were probably delivered around lunch time. Much to our surprise, no other pizza was brought to the media room from the time we arrived until when we left the arena. I guess the evening game/reporters didn't need to be fed. That's what I thought as I watched six large pizzas being rolled on a cart to the NSAA meeting room. It's easy to be forgotten, I guess.

One final thought - students and bands on one side of the floor, parents and fans on the other side. Why didn't I think of that? Friendly banter back and forth makes for a better game, right? Finally, I think reluctantly, that the 35-second shot clock is a good thing. With the clock, the games are competitive. Basketball is a simple game when you think about it. Score more points than the other team and you win.

Those words of wisdom came from a female janitor years ago who, seriously, had multiple personalities. She may not have been named Sybil, but she might have been a Sally.

SPINNING TALES



Publisher
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Now that the winter sports season has ended, we want to thank each and every one of them for their dedication and their fine representation of Elgin. Always proud of our Wolfpack!

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MARCH 11, 2025 PROCEEDINGS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ANTELOPE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Neligh, Nebraska
March 11th, 2025

Chairman opened the meeting. Notice of meeting published as required by statute.

Approved agenda.
Approved payroll.
Approved vendor claims.

General: AMERITAS ins 20,771.34; ANTELOPE CO COURT ex 221.00; ANTELOPE CO SHRF ex 281.03; APPEARA ex 34.22; APPLIED CONN TECH ex 7,730.75; BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 2,063.13; BCBS ins 75,093.63; BODY WORKS ex 4,654.99; BOMGAARS ex 23.50; DEB BRANSTITER ex 215.12; BUTCHS BODY SHOP ex 362.00; CANDLEWOOD SUITES ex 432.00; CASEYS ex 111.78; CITY OF NELIGH ut 4,020.91; CITY OF NELIGH-RECY ut 1,000.00; CLERK OF THE DIST COURT ex 108.00; COLDTYPE PUB ex 650.49; JUDITH COLE ex 10.00; COLONIAL LIFE/ACC INS ex 100.88; CUB-BYS ex 442.89; CVSOAN ex 60.00; DAS STATE ACCTG ex 1,095.35; DRIVERS LICENSE GUIDE CO ex 33.95; DUSTYS ex 531.56; EAKES ex 792.18; ELGIN REVIEW ex 532.42; ELITE OFC PRODS ex 287.36; FED W/H tax 11,887.70; FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS ins 8,258.42; GOV FORMS & SUPPLIES ex 134.78; GREAT PLAINS COMM ut 327.63; DARRELL HAMILTON ex 11.00; HOLIDAY INN ex 279.90; JACKS UNIFORMS & EQUIP ex 2,178.12; JONNY DODGE ex 1,600.50; KLEIN LAW OFC ex 5,548.90; LIBERTY NATL ins 87.19; MADISON NATL LIFE ins 124.68; MICROFILM IMAGING SYSTEMS ex 122.00; DUANE MILLER ps 12.00; MIPS ex 3,117.82; ANGELA MORTENSEN ex 10.10; COLLIN MULLINS ex 38.12; NACEB NEBR ASSN CO EXT ex 100.00; NATL INS SVC ins 58.50; NEBR CHILD SUPPORT ex 643.00; NEBR DEPT OF REV tax 5,699.86; NEBR HEALTH & HUMAN SVCS ex 93.00; NEBR WEED CONTROL ASSN ex 150.00; NIELSEN INS ex 225.00; VSP-NACO VISION ins 550.71; NCPPD ut 55.19; ONE OFC SOL ex 41.76; LISA PAYNE ex 521.02; PENGAD ex 22.77; PINNACLE BANK ex 470.72; PITNEY BOWES LEASE ex 864.18; PITZER DIGITAL ex 486.32; QUICK SERVE ex 43.20; QUILL CORP ex 403.40; JANICE RIDDER ps 10.00; SANNE REPAIR ex 675.00; MARLENE SCHINDLER ex 126.74; CAROLINE SIEMS ps 25.00; WEX BANK ex 1,385.68; SIRCHIE ACQUISITION CO ex 254.92; SOC SEC 27,157.26; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 1,137.68; ULINE ex 612.78; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ut 45.02; US CELL ut 644.49; WASHINGTON NATL INS CO ins 285.92; 319 GRAPHICS ex 38.50; UNIV OF NEBR-LINCOLN ex 2,579.62; ANTELOPE CO TREAS ex 300,000.00; Payroll 141,246.43

Register of Deeds: MIPS ex 349.80;
Veterans Aid: ANTELOPE CO VETERANS SERVICE OFC 5,000.00;

Law Enforcement: BLACK HILLS ENERGY ut 529.73; CASH-WA DISTR ex 1,635.78; CITY OF NELIGH ut 2,945.35; CULLIGAN ex 79.00; APRIL CURTISS ex 150.00; DEANS MARKET ex 399.20; ECHO ELECTRIC SUPPLY ex 81.30; EYE PHYSICIANS ex 202.16; HILAND DAIRY ex 543.38; HUNT INS GROUP ex 4,588.56; LOUS GLOVES ex 384.00; MENARDS ex 408.65; NORTHLAND BUSINESS SYSTEMS ex 3,971.82; PINNACLE BANK ex 121.61; U-SAVE PHARMACY ex 131.68; Commissary: BOB BARKER CO ex 166.95; CASH-WA DISTR ex 431.03; CHARM-TEX ex 554.60; COMBINED PUBLIC COMM ex 1,000.00; KEEFE SUPPLY ex 587.76; NEBR POPCORN SALES ex 99.00; PINNACLE BANK ex 500.79;

Building: CARHART LUMBER ex 163.46; LISA PAYNE ex 556.99.
Approved minutes of the February 4th, 2025, BOC Meeting, February 11th BOC & BOE Meetings, and March 4th, 2025, BOC meeting.

Public comments. Correspondence was reviewed. Tabled appointment for RC&D Board. Clerk of the District Court Monthly Fee Report, Treasurer's Fund Balance Report, Miscellaneous Revenue Report, Treasurer's Sweep Account Statement, Sheriffs Fee Report, and the Treasurer's Real Estate Delinquent Report was reviewed.

Zoning Administrator report was heard.

Agreed on participation with the Allianz group for County benefits. Opened bids and purchased culverts.

Approved Catastrophic Inmate Medical Insurance for 2025-2026. Authorized signing grant support letter for City of Neligh. No action on fire suppressant system, and water issues in basement.

Road Superintendent Report. Approved stop sign resolution. Approved underground permit. Discussed summer road maintenance plan.

Meeting Adjourned.
Antelope County Board of Commissioners

CHARLIE HENERY
Chairman of County Board
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METAL ex 2,098.67; QUICK SERVE ex 438.39; RAZOR TRACKING ex 975.00; RDO TRUCK CENTERS ex 9,840.94; ROYAL ONE STOP ex 291.68; RUTJENS CONSTRUCTION ex 293.50; SAPP BROTHER PETRO ex 2,007.97; SARGENT IRRIGATION ex 43,000.00; WEX BANK ex 605.48; SOC SEC ins 17,346.14; SPENCER QUARRIES ex 373.44; STEALTH BROADBAND ut 95.60; SWITZER WELDING-BRIAN ex 1,149.33; VILLAGE OF BRUNSWICK ut 109.00; VILLAGE OF CLEARWATER ut 87.50; VILLAGE OF ORCHARD ut 82.80; WASHINGTON NATL INS CO ins 277.90; WESTERN OIL II ex 66.24; 319 GRAPHICS ex 594.15; Payroll: 88,019.16;

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MARCH 12, 2025 MEETING

THE DISTRICT #18 BOARD OF EDUCATION

ELGIN PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD Regular Meeting EPS Board Room March 12, 2025, 7:30 PM

President Lisa Welding called the regular March Meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. The board members present were Eric Beckman, Ron Bode, Steve Busted, Todd Heithoff, Luke Hinkle, and Lisa Welding. Also present were Principal Greg Wemhoff and Supt. Mike Brockhaus.

President Welding led the "Pledge of Allegiance." Welding reminded everyone that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law was posted in the meeting room.

School board meeting notice complied with Meeting Notice Policy #204.07. Posting was done on the High School building window and post office bulletin board.

Todd Heithoff motioned, and Steve Busted seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: #4 - Minutes of Previous Meeting, #5 - Adopt the Agenda, #6 - Financial Report, #7 - Board Bills. Motion carried, vote 6-0.

Amazon, \$179.50; Appera, Maintenance, \$462.42; Applied Connective Technologies, Business Expense, \$156.00; Beckman Lumber, Instru Expense, \$263.00; Bishop Business, Business Expense, \$154.80; Black Hills Energy, maintenance, \$3,916.50; Boone County Clerk, Board Expense, \$200.00; Carolina Biological, Instru Expense, \$308.66; Computer Hardware, Instru Expense, \$3,854.00; COR Therapeutic, Instru Expense, \$1,675.00; Corner Service & Tire, Transportation, \$179.88; Dean's Market, Instru Expense, \$13.26; Eakes, Maintenance, \$1,299.45; ESU #8, SpEd Expense, \$55,588.50; Elgin One Stop, Transportation, \$2,327.51, Maintenance, \$236.46; Elgin Review, board Expense, \$388.08; Elkhorn RPPD, Maintenance, \$2,563.11; GO Physical Therapy, SpEd Expense, \$1,830.45; Great America Financial Svcs, business Expense, \$602.06; Great Plains Communication, business Expense, \$344.02; Hometown Station, Transportation, \$970.26; Island Supply, Instru Expense, \$98.56; Jonny Dodge, Transportation, \$62.37; MidAmerican Research Co., maintenance, \$2,618.35; NASB, Admin Expense, \$240.00; Olson's Pest Technicians, Maintenance, \$105.00; OneSource, Business Expense, \$24.00; Overland Rehab, SpEd Expense, \$639.95; School Specialty, Business Expense, \$349.44; TMS, Business Expense, \$67.98; Veik, Meghan, SpEd Expense, \$88.20; US Bank, \$662.40; WageWorks, Instru Expense, \$139.25; Waste Connections, Business Expense, \$23.00; Wells Fargo, \$151.57

Total Board Bills: \$82,782.99
Payroll: \$265,252.65
Total Board Bills/ Payroll: \$348,035.64

President Welding recognized visitors and asked if the patrons had any comments.

In committee reports, Americanism Committee reported that they met earlier this evening to review the checklist.

Principal Wemhoff reported on previous events and upcoming calendar events.

In the Superintendent report, Mr. Brockhaus reported that schools are allowed to start selling items that were purchased with ESSER funds. Also reported that Ainsworth will be joining the NVC Conference starting next school year.

Heithoff motioned to approve the bid for nine doors and four gate access points from Applied Connective for \$45,240.97. Bode seconded the motion. Vote 5-0, Beckman abstained. Motion carried.

Busted motioned; Hinkle seconded to approve the moving of the IT Rack in the coach's office from Applied Connective for \$2302.99. Vote 5-0, Beckman abstained. Motion carried.

Heithoff motioned; Welding seconded to approve the first reading of NASB recommended updated Title IX Non-Discrimination Policy 504.24; Title IX Reporting Form 504.24E1; and Title IX Nondiscrimination Procedures 504.24R1. Vote 6-0, motion carried.

Beckman motioned, Busted seconded to approve the second reading of the updated Policy 504.02R1 Elgin Public School testing and Honor Awards. Vote 6-0 motioned carried.

Busted motioned, Hinkle seconded to approve the technology purchases for the 2025-2026 school year as presented minus one yearbook lab computer approximately \$50,041.25. Vote 6-0, motion carried.

Motion by Bode, second by Beckman to adjourn the meeting. Vote 6-0, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on April 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Elgin Public School Board Room.
Respectfully submitted,
Ron Bode, Secretary
Jessica Niewohner, Recorder

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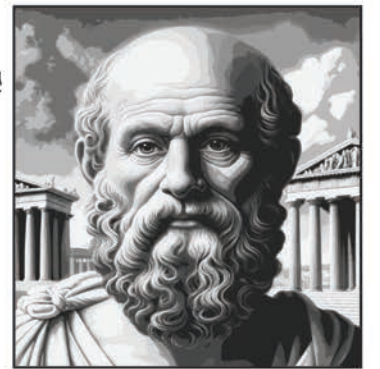
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EHS speech team members medal at Districts

Ten Elgin High School students brought home medals Monday from the District Speech Contest held at Wausa. Medalists were (front row, l-r): Zoey Buechter, Kayton Zwingman, Ruby Durre and Kyndal Busted. Back row: Chloe Henn, Braelyn Martinsen, Callie Heithoff, Kierstyn Eisenhauer, Kyla Donaldson and Gemma Miller.

ELGIN'S EASTER EGG HUNT

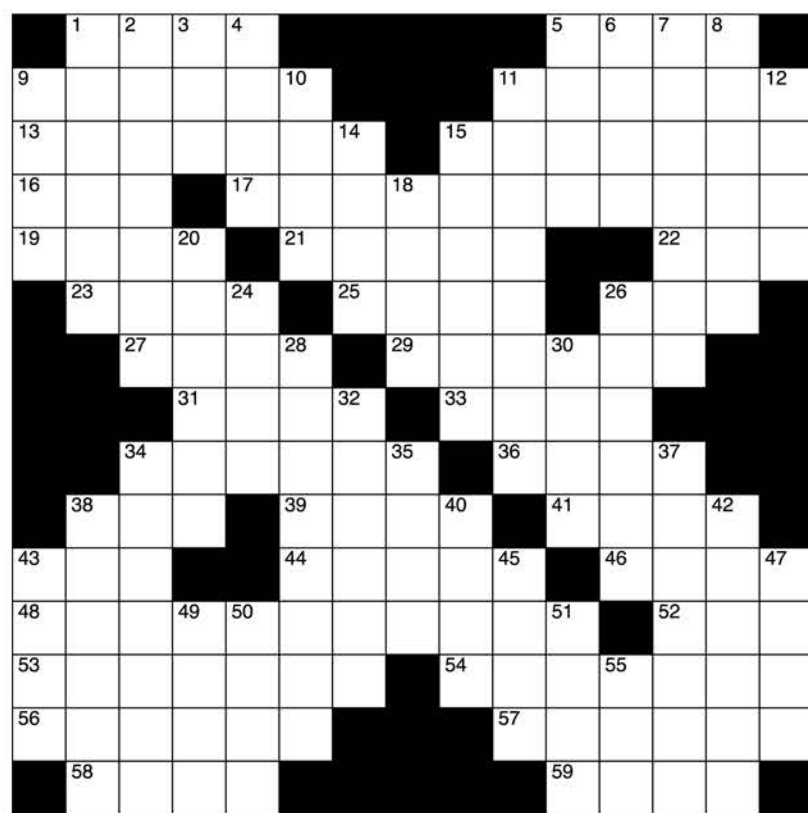
Saturday, April 12

Hunt begins at 11 am, Elgin City Park (weather permitting)

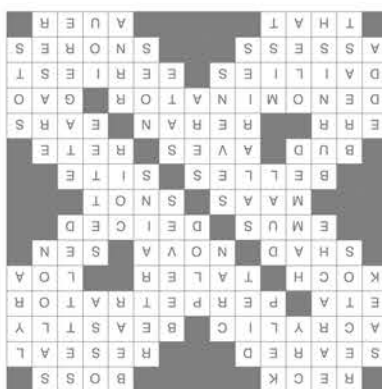
This week's Crossword Puzzle

CLUES ACROSS

1. Take heed
5. One's superior
9. Prepped meat
11. Tighten anew
13. Type of textile fiber
15. Animalistic
16. When you hope to get somewhere
17. Offender
19. Former NYC mayor Ed
21. Type of cryptocurrency
22. Mauna __, Hawaiian volcano
23. Herring-like fish
25. Popular PBS program
26. Congressman (abbr.)
27. Flightless Australian birds
29. Defrosted
31. Prior Yankee sensation Kevin
33. Nasal mucus
34. Some are southern
36. A place to construct
38. Popular beer brand
39. Shouts of farewell
41. Network of nerves
43. Make a mistake
44. Showed old movie
46. Body parts
48. A divisor
52. Congressional investigatory body
53. Papers
54. Most unnatural
56. Judge the worth of something
57. Makes sounds while sleeping
58. Which
59. Hungarian Violinist



15. Cows fattened for meat
18. A way to hoof it
20. Exaggerated a role
24. About two
26. Long upholstered seat
28. What employees earn
30. Fiber from a coconut husk
32. Digits
34. Polish by rubbing
35. Liquid body substances
37. Furniture with open shelves
38. Edible part of a chicken
40. Satisfy
42. Tool used to remove
43. Icelandic poems
45. Swiss village
47. Drunks
49. Evergreen plant genus
50. Light precipitation
51. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
55. An informal debt instrument



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Spring is fast approaching and producers looking for a bit of extra forage to supplement low hay stocks this year may consider planting a spring crop. Spring oats are one option that can be planted early, produce a large amount of high-quality forage, and are adaptable to fit for your particular system.

Typically in northeast Nebraska, planting dates for oats range from the middle of March into late April. This gives us a window to plan for, but ideally, soil temperatures should be the ultimate factor for putting seed in the ground. Oats germinate when soil temperatures are above 40°F. When we hit that milestone and are past the danger of a killing frost, planting can commence.

Seed at a rate of 60-80 lbs/ac on dryland and up to 100 lbs/ac on irrigated fields to get maximum production. 40-60 lbs of nitrogen can also boost yields, though with high fertilizer prices, a smaller rate or alternative nutrient source like manure may be worth consideration. With the right conditions, oats

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Beef Systems Asst. Ext. Educator Ben Beckman

can support 1 to 2 cows per acre for several months, or provides the flexibility to harvest as hay, green chop, or silage. If allowed to grow to maturity, production of 2-2.5 ton/acre are common.

Once they begin growth, oats can come on fast. If grazing, be prepared to turn out once plants get around 5-6 inches in height, usually around mid to late May. If left unused, plants can quickly grow up to a foot and mature in no time. At this point the plant will be trying to initiate seed production, so if grazed, regrowth may be limited. Keeping plants vegetative and grazing before they reach 8 inches in height keeps new growth occurring and will stretch the grazable period out.

Oats can be mixed with other forage species to add diversity and further extend the grazing period. Brassicas like turnip, collards, and canola can provide high quality forage, but will tend to mature quickly and bolt as temperatures warm,

so grazing early and often is recommended. Legumes like spring pea can decrease nitrogen demand and provide forage, while vetch may be added purely for its nitrogen benefits.

From a grass standpoint, other spring grains like triticale and barley can add production and extended grazing. Annual ryegrass is another option to consider that pairs well with oats. Ryegrass grows rapidly later in the spring, usually around early June, about the time oats are slowing down. With enough water, it's a high quality forage that can provide grazing opportunity well into the summer and into the fall. To seed an oat/ryegrass mix, 60-70 lbs/oats per acre along with 15-20 lbs/ryegrass per acre should provide a good mix. Growth might be a bit slower to initiate, so grazing may need to be a bit lighter to in the beginning. However, the extended grazing period into the summer will more than make up a slower start.

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Opinion of Probable Cost \$500,000

Proposals will be taken for said construction work listed above by unit prices, as an aggregate bid for the entire project.

All Proposals for said construction work must be made on blanks furnished by the Engineer and must be accompanied by Bid Security of not less than 5% of the amount bid. Bid Security to be made payable to the Treasurer of Antelope County, Nebraska as liquidated damages in case the bid is accepted and the bidder neglects or refuses, to enter into contract and furnish bond in accordance herewith.

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Copies of the contract documents are on file with Antelope County, Nebraska for examination by bidders. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at JEO's website at jeo.com for \$30.00. An optional paper set of project documents is available for a non-refundable price of \$100.00 per set. Please contact Sandy Walker at 402.371.6416 / swalker@jeo.com to coordinate your request and send your check to: 404 S 25th Street, Ste. B, Norfolk, NE 68701. In order to bid the project, the contract documents must be issued directly by JEO Consulting Group, Inc. or QuestCDN to the bidder.

The Owner reserves the right to waive informalities and irregularities and to make awards on bids which furnish the materials and construction that will, in their opinion serve the best interests of the Owner, and also reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids.

antelope county, nebraska
CHARLIE HENERY,
Board Chairperson

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NOTICE - Painting - St. Peters Church, Antelope County Museum

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Asphalt Oil**

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will accept sealed bids until 9:45 AM, on April 1st, 2025 for asphalt oil. Price should be per gallon. Purchase of asphalt oil to be delivered to each county shop from April 1, 2025 to December 1, 2025 for the following types of asphalt: MC-800, RC-250, MC3000, CRS2, and CRS-2P. Bids can be brought or mailed to the Antelope County Clerk's Office, 501

M Street, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE 68756-0026 and will be opened at 9:45 AM on April 1st, 2025 in the Antelope County Commissioners Meeting Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex. Envelope should be marked in the lower left-hand corner with the wording, "Asphalt Oil Bid." The County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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NOTICE FOR BIDS

GRAVEL

**NOTICE FOR BIDS
Gravel**

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will accept sealed bids until 9:45 AM on April 1st, 2025, for gravel. Bids may be brought in or mailed to the Antelope County Clerk's Office, 501 M Street, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE 68756-0026. Successful bidder will supply the specified product from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Bids will be opened and publicly read on April 1st, 2025 at 9:45 AM in the County Commissioners room of the Antelope County

Courthouse Annex. The Antelope County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. ROAD GRAVEL - Purchase of Road gravel to be bid as follows: Priced per Ton, transported by county, loaded by pit operator. ARMOR COAT GRAVEL - Priced per Ton, transported by county, loaded by pit operator. All bids must be plainly marked "Gravel Bid" on lower left-hand corner of envelope. **Pricing all types of fill and aggregate.**

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NOTICE FOR BIDS

HOT MIX ASPHALT

**NOTICE FOR BIDS
Hot Mix Asphalt**

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will accept sealed bids until 9:45 AM, on April 1st, 2025, for hot mix asphalt. Price should be per ton and per location. Purchase of hot mix asphalt picked up at location between April 1, 2025, to December 1, 2025, for all types of hot mix asphalt. Bids can be brought or mailed to the Antelope County Clerk's Office, 501 M Street, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE

68756-0026 and will be opened at 9:45 AM on April 1st, 2025, in the Antelope County Commissioners Meeting Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex. Envelope should be marked in the lower left-hand corner with the wording, "Hot Mix Asphalt Bid." The County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

H4 CATTLE COMPANY, L.L.C.

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the limited liability company: H4 Cattle Company, L.L.C. The address of the designated office is: 83671 Hwy 14, Elgin, Nebraska 68636. The name and mailing address of the initial agent for service of process of the company is Martin V. Klein, 101 W. 4th Street, P.O. Box 166, Neligh, NE 68756. It is organized to transact any lawful acts concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

This company commenced upon filing the Certificate of Organization with the Secretary of State on March 7, 2025, and its existence shall be perpetual. The affairs of the limited liability company are to be conducted by the members under an operation agreement duly approved by its members.

H4 Cattle Company, L.L.C.
Martin V. Klein
Klein Law Office, P.C.
P.O. Box 166
Neligh, NE 68756-0166
(402)887-4190

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NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

SCHRADER ENTERPRISES, L.L.C.

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

The name of the limited liability company: SCHRADER ENTERPRISES, L.L.C. The address of the designated office is: 84920 Cemetery Road, Neligh, Nebraska 68756. The name and mailing address of the initial agent for service of process of the company is Martin V. Klein, 101 W. 4th Street, P.O. Box 166, Neligh, NE 68756. It is organized to transact any lawful acts concerning any and all lawful business, other than banking or insurance, for which a limited liability company may be organized under the laws of the State of Nebraska. This company commenced

upon filing the Certificate of Organization with the Secretary of State on February 25, 2025, and its existence shall be perpetual. The affairs of the limited liability company are to be conducted by the members under an operation agreement duly approved by its members.

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NOTICE FOR BIDS

ARMOR COATING

**NOTICE FOR BIDS
Armor Coating**

The Antelope County Board of Commissioners will accept sealed bids until 9:45 AM, on April 1st, 2025 for armor coating of oil roads within Antelope County. Said bids are for the application of armor coating using county furnished materials. Successful bidder will supply the specified product from April 1, 2025 to December 1, 2025. Price should be per mile. All work to be done according to county specifications. Contractor must supply traffic control, signing and proof of

bonding and insurance. Bids can be brought or mailed to the Antelope County Clerk's Office, 501 M Street, PO Box 26, Neligh, NE 68756-0026 and will be opened at 9:45 AM, on April 1st, 2025 in the Antelope County Commissioners Room, Antelope County Courthouse Annex. Envelopes should be marked in the lower left-hand corner with the wording, "Armor Coating Bid." The County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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Priority bills being designated

This past week, senators and committees began designating their priority bills for the year. Each senator may designate one bill as their personal priority. Standing committees may designate up to two bills as their committee priorities.

Additionally, the Speaker of the Legislature may designate up to 25 bills as Speaker priorities.

In total, this means a total of 107 bills can be designated as priority bills in each regular legislative session.

I designated LB437 as my personal priority bill. LB437, introduced by Senator Riepe and as amended by the Health and Human Services Committee, would repeal the Nebraska Certificate of Need Act for nursing homes in the state. Certificate of Need, or CON, laws are state regulations requiring healthcare providers to obtain permission before opening or expanding services or facilities. The intent of this law is to try to control healthcare costs by preventing the duplication of services.

However, Nebraska's CON law serves as a barrier to new nursing homes being able to compete in Nebraska because it establishes quotas for capital items such as licensed beds. I was spurred to prioritize this bill after I was contacted by the Village of Butte in nearby Boyd County with frustrations that Nebraska's CON law makes it difficult to get the required licensed beds necessary to try and keep their nursing home facility open.

The Agriculture Committee designated two of my bills, LB245 and LB246, as committee priority bills. LB245 as amended would make updates to state statutes that would align Nebraska with recent changes made at the federal level as it pertains to commercial food establishments and weights and measures inspections. LB246 would ban the sale of lab-grown meat in the state.

Other bills that have been prioritized include:

LB303 by Senator Hughes to increase per-student foundation aid paid out from the state to public schools by 6 percent - from \$1,500 per formula student to \$1,590 per formula student - and create a school finance reform commission. The Commission will be tasked with providing the Legislature with annual recommendations to adjust school funding to ensure stable state aid to schools while also reducing property tax; LB89 by Senator Kauth to adopt the Stand With Women Act and build upon Governor Pille's executive order to establish a women's bill of rights. LB89 would create restrictions on biological males from competing in women's sports as well as establish guidelines for restroom and locker room spaces;

LB559 by Senator Bohn to create criminal penalties for the use of credit card skimmer devices. Skimmer devices can be used steal financial data from ATMs, fuel pumps, and store checkouts;

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



District 40 Senator
Barry DeKay

LB382 by Senator Meyer appropriates \$4 million to help sustain programs such as Meals-On-Wheels that are provided and overseen by the state's area agencies on aging.

With priority bills now being designated, the Legislature is at the point where the Speaker will only schedule priority bills, the bills relating to the state budget, and a few technical bills from here on out. This means that any bill without a priority designation is unlikely to be debated this year unless it is amended into another priority bill. Any bill not yet debated or disposed of at the end of this year will still carry over into the 2026 regular legislative session.

As debate on priority bills begins, I would appreciate your input. Call my Capitol office telephone number at (402) 471-2801 or send email to bdekay@leg.ne.gov. My mailing address is: Senator Barry DeKay, District #40, P.O. Box 94604, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509.

Elgin Community Center Menus

Monday, March 24: Ham, au-gratin potatoes, peas, peaches, bread/butter, milk.

Tuesday, March 25: Spaghetti with meat sauce, lettuce salad, green beans, garlic stick, bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday, March 26: Chicken & rice casserole, broccoli, strawberry/peach mix, bread/butter, milk.

Thursday, March 27: Tator tot casserole, lettuce salad, apricots, bread/butter, milk.

Friday, March 28: Breaded fish, macaroni & cheese, peas, fruit cocktail, bread/butter, milk.

(All meals served with bread & butter.

Menus are provided by the Community Center and are subject to change).

Suggested price is \$7 per meal for persons 60 years of age and older. Under 60 is \$10.00. Serving starts at 11:45 a.m. and ends around 12:15 p.m.

Meals are served Monday thru Friday.

Takeout starts at 11:30 a.m. Please call 843-5757 by 9:30 a.m. to reserve a meal for that day. For a great meal, come to the community center!

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A junior, Jarek had a stellar game at the state tournament. He led the Wolfpack team in points with 27 and he pulled down a team-high 13 rebounds.

A junior, Karson sunk two treys in the game against a pesky Wynot team at state. He finished the game with 11 points and led the team in steals with 3.

City of Elgin

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EPS qualifies three for State Speech

On Monday, the EPS Speech Team competed in their toughest and most important contest of the season, the D1-3 District Speech contest in Wausa.

The team placed third overall with 164 points. Osmond emerged as the champion with 306 points, while the host team was runner-up with 292.

The small but mighty team returned home with seventeen medals and qualified three events for the State Speech Championships in Kearney next Friday.

Bringing home top honors on the day was Chloe Henn, who earned the gold in Entertainment Speaking.

Gemma Miller placed third in Extemporaneous Speaking, while Zoey Buechter also brought home a third place medal in Serious Prose. Those three will represent EPS at State.

Earning fourth place medals were the OID of Henn, Callie Heithoff, Kayton Zwingman, Braelyn Martinsen and Kierstyn Eisenhauer; the Duet of Henn and Heithoff; Kyndal Busted in Persuasive Speaking, and Miller in Poetry. All four events missed state qualification by one place.

Bringing home fifth place medals were Busted in Informative Speaking, Kyla Donaldson in Extemporaneous Speaking and Zwingman in POI.

Ruby Durre and Donaldson placed sixth in Serious and Humorous Prose respectively. Heithoff received a Superior



Chloe Henn placed first in entertainment speaking and will be going to state!



Gemma Miller qualified for state speech in extemporaneous speaking.



Zoey Buechter qualified for state speech, finishing third in serious prose. Photos submitted

Rating in Informative Speaking.

Coaches Jessie Reestman and Stacy Shumake-Henn had words of praise for their team.

"These kids had a fantastic season and have much to be proud of. Obviously we would have loved to have qualified a bunch for state, but moving up a class is always difficult. We definitely had some powerhouses in our district this year. However, our kids handled it well and stepped up to the task. Their performances were the best we've seen, but the cards just didn't fall in our favor. We've got some hard workers who all improved throughout the season, and we are proud of

them all. They're a great group of kids, and we were also blessed with some terrific parents who supported us all season."

They also had some special words for their seniors.

"Chloe and Callie have been a joy to work with for four years. They have been a huge part of our success. We ask a lot of them, and they always deliver. Of the twelve events we ran this season, those two were involved

in six of them. That takes a lot of work, a lot of time, and a lot of commitment. We are amazed at all they take on. They are tremendous leaders who will be missed next season."

The state qualifiers will depart for Kearney next Thursday afternoon and will begin their run for a state medal on Friday morning at Kearney High School.

Best of Luck, kids!

It pays to Advertise in the Review!

Thank a Vietnam veteran to mark 50th anniversary

The Elgin veterans auxiliaries remind the public to 'Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!' As the Nation prepares to observe the 50th Anniversary of the end of the Vietnam Conflict, now is the perfect time to reflect on the veterans and their families.

The four million who served between November 1, 1955 and May 15, 1975, and their families, have been publicly thanked by friends and neighbors during more than 28,000 ceremonies hosted by our Commemorative Partners ... but there is still more to do! Vietnam veterans deserve to know their service mattered. They deserve to know you care. The Nation owes them our deepest gratitude.

 Lasting from 1955 to 1975, the Vietnam war engulfed the Southeast Asian country of Vietnam as well as its neighboring countries, Cambodia and Laos. It resulted in several million deaths, most of whom were Vietnamese civilians.

The conflict began during the 1950s when the struggle between the country's communist northern part and the anti-communist south escalated. The United States began its military involvement in an effort to back the South's effort to quell the communist onslaught, which, at the height of the Cold War, was feared to promote the spread of communist ideology and influence worldwide. During the war, about 500,000 US troops were dispatched to Southeast Asia, about 58,000 of whom were killed.

The conflict ended in 1975 with the fall of Saigon and the victory of North Vietnam.

National Vietnam War Veterans Day was first observed in 2012. The Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017 establishes the day as a national observance. However, it is not an official holiday in any part of the United States. Every March 29th, this prominent day joins six other military-centric national observances.



HELP WANTED

Elgin Public Schools is currently accepting applications for a **FULL-TIME PARAPROFESSIONAL** position for the 2025-2026 school year.

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- Basketball Hoop & Backboard, St. Boniface Parish
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- Gift Basket & Treatment Certificate, Danica Knapp
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FOODS/FOOD RELATED

- Quarter of Beef @ Albion Locker (you pay processing, pickup TBD), Dan & Kim Zwingman
- Cookie Kits 1, Kristina Sehi
- Cookie Kits 2, Kristina Sehi
- Mark's Sourdough Bread per Month, Mark Dwyer
- Baked Item of the Month, Liturgy Committee
- Prime Rib Dinner for 8 People with all the fixings, Jodine Meis
- Dean's Market Grilling Bundle, Parish Council
- Meat of the Month, Dean's Market
- Wood Smoked Pulled Pork, Schindler Families: Jeff, Jake, Ross, Drew & Evan
- Coffee Bar, River Mill Coffee Co.
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- March 12** - Lorie Pfeifer
- March 26** - Peg Wemhoff
- March 20** - postponed to **March 19**
- April 2** - Michelle Nekoliczak

Organized by Catholic Parishes in Partnership

Firemen busy answering area mutual aid calls

Nebraska remains under a 'Red Flag' warning and all burning should be avoided

It's a never-ending story. For the fourth week in a row, members of the Elgin Volunteer Fire Department have responded to mutual aid fire calls.

Twice in the past seven days, firefighters assisted area fire departments battling grass fires in extremely dry conditions which continue across much of Nebraska.

On Thursday afternoon, Elgin firefighters were summoned on a mutual aid call one mile west and one mile north of Sargent Irrigation. Then again, on Sunday afternoon, they were called out to help battle a fire near the Neligh Recycling Center where a semi-tractor trailer had caught on fire.

It's been a busy fire season for firefighters across the state.

From JoAnn Baum's Kitchen

Delicious Seafood Salad & Honey Butter Cornbread Muffins



Good day! Happy Lent! This week are some recipes that maybe you can enjoy during Lent.

We love cornbread in our house. Ted loves syrup on his and I like honey.

As a kid my mom always made it during Lent when we had Fish Friday. That and macaroni salad. I guess it stuck with me as I got older. Just an idea you could use when you have a Fish Friday. Enjoy!

JoAnn

HONEY BUTTER CORNBREAD MUFFINS

2 large eggs
1/4 cup melted butter

1 cup cornmeal
1 cup flour
1/3 cup honey
1 tsp baking powder
1/2 tsp salt
1 cup milk

Mix the dry ingredients, cornmeal, flour, baking powder and salt.
Mix the milk, eggs, honey, and butter, add it to the dry ingredients and mix well.
Fill muffin tins and bake at 350° for 15-18 minutes.
If you use a dark muffin pan you may want to lower the baking temperature to 325°.

DELICIOUS SEAFOOD SALAD

2 cups rotelle macaroni twists (cooked)
1/3 cup diced onion
1 cup diced celery
1/2 cup sliced mushroom
1/4 cup sliced black olives

1 cup sliced or grated carrots
2 cups Imitation Crab (salad style)
1 cup frozen peas (thawed)

Dressing
1/4 cup mayonnaise (real)
1/4 cup Miracle Whip
1/4 cup sour cream
1/4 cup Dorothy Lynch, or Western salad dressing

Mix the dressing in a large bowl and add the remaining ingredients and mix well. Serve chilled.



District X Runner-Up was the agronomy team of (back row, l-r): Isaac Hemmenway, Taylor Beckman and Michael Selting. Front row: Haley Parks and Jayda Chessmore.



The Natural Resource team placed fourth. Making up the team were (l-r) Trissa Russell, Justice Blecher, Austin Hinkle and Landon Kallhoff.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!!!!

Upper Elkhorn NRD Senior Scholarships Available

The Upper Elkhorn Natural Resources District is offering **three \$500 scholarships** to graduating High School Seniors from the District. These scholarships are available for students who are planning to further their education in a field related to natural resources or agriculture. Seniors who are interested should contact their guidance counselor or the Upper Elkhorn NRD office in O'Neill for further information, eligibility requirements and applications. Scholarship information has been sent to all District schools and is also available at the Upper Elkhorn NRD website at www.uenrd.org/education.html. The deadline for all scholarship applications is **April 4, 2025**.




The District X Champion Livestock Management team includes Gemma Miller, Jayda Chessmore, Haley Parks, Jaidyn Schrad, Kayton Zwingman and Samantha Durre.

Elgin FFA CDE teams excel at competitions at NECC, and Sargent

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